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Police arrest man after jewelry heist

CRIME A suspect is in custody and \$250,000 in jewelry was recovered after a heist in the city's northwest yesterday afternoon.

Calgary police said they apprehended a man after he entered a jewelry store in the 600 block of 16 Avenue NW just before 1:30 p.m.

Police allege he smashed displays with a fake handgun and then fled the store, hijacking a red Mazda Miata. They allege he ultimately crashed into a cement divider and fled to a nearby Safeway parking lot, where he attempted to steal two other vehicles.

The suspect faces several charges in relation, according to police. **METRO CALGARY**

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Coulter clash

After an Ottawa speech was nixed due to safety fears, pundit sparks Calgary debate on free speech



Conservative U.S. commentator Ann Coulter, seen here in this February file photo, is scheduled to speak at the University of Calgary today.

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Facebookers are mobilizing the protest troops in advance of today's visit by controversial right-wing pundit Ann Coulter — but it's still unclear whether the reception will be as rocky as it was in the nation's capital 48 hours earlier.

At least two local Facebook groups have been set up to garner followers for protest against tonight's event, but the support appears to be lukewarm, with some even commenting that ignoring Coulter is the best method to deal with her shtick — or just simply allowing her to speak freely. "Just let her speak. Who cares? Protesting just adds more fuel to the fire," Rabiya Mansoor said on the Facebook protest group set

@atomicpoet Don't get what the big deal is about Ann Coulter's Calgary speech. She's essentially an unwed Sarah Palin.
@GoFlamesGo89 hopes Ann Coulter gets chased out of Calgary, too! C'mon U of C, let's show her that such ignorant, insulting speakers are not welcome!
@kt_coughlin Curious to see Calgary's reception of Coulter. Suffice it to say it will differ

up by U of C student Hani Kadri.

It's a stark contrast to the outrage at the University of Ottawa that led to the cancellation of Coulter's speech, after organizers claimed they feared for Coulter's safety.

The speech's venue has changed to the Red and

White Club at McMahon Stadium, which can hold twice as many as the theatre at the U of C, and the university has claimed it will still step up security in the wake of what happened in Ottawa.
 "The purpose of a university is to encourage and promote the free exchange of

ideas," said University of Calgary provost Alan Harrison.

"To do anything other than that is to go against what the university stands for."

Still, murmurs of dissatisfaction with Coulter's visit sparked hearty debate among Calgary's Twitter community — with questions of free speech versus hate and racism outlining the conversation.

Coulter said she has no concerns about her safety while in Calgary.

"I've heard that (Calgary is a more conservative city). Already I feel safer and look at how nice all of you are."

When asked about concerns that she would be promoting hate in her talk today, she replied: "Hate-mongering? I might fly a plane into a building."

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Sobeys stores hit by food tampering

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GROCERY Sobeys has become the second grocery chain in Calgary to be hit by food tampering this year after metal pins were found in food items at three southern stores this week.

Police spokesperson Kevin Brookwell is warning Calgarians to be extra diligent in light of the discoveries after a woman found a metal pin in an avocado she purchased at the Millrise Sobeys on Tuesday.

It was then that store associates alerted police to two other incidents on the weekend, where metal pins were found in two Kaiser buns by customers at the McKenzie Towne and Cranston Sobeys stores.

"We don't know if it's a current employee, an ex-employee, a disgruntled customer or even possibly a copycat," Brookwell said, referring to similar incidents targeted at Calgary Co-Op earlier this year.

Sobeys spokesperson Mike Lupien defended the chain's decision not to initially call police until after the third incident and instead investigating internally.

"From the onset it wasn't clear if it was food tampering, but after the third incident we realized it wasn't a one-off," he said.

Lupien said the store will be stepping up security in light of the incidents.

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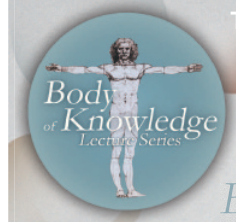
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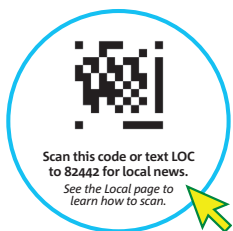
"Ed Stelmach is blaming foster families for not telling his government about its own policy."

NDP MLA Rachel Notley, left, after the premier is said to have made comments referencing the need for others to have come forward to inform the government about planned cuts or caps to foster parents of disabled children.

News in brief

LOCKDOWN Forest Lawn High School was locked down for a short period of time after reports of a former male student and a woman were seen in the halls. When asked to leave, the man pulled a gun and waved it around. The suspect was later apprehended and the gun was deemed fake.

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Library sets lending record

Calgarians borrowed more than 16 million items last year

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Shhhh — the Calgary Public Library has become the sixth busiest city library system in North America after lending out a record 16,012,748 items last year.

Despite the recent announcement of Apple iPad and Amazon's Kindle, the Calgary Public Library is going hard and strong, according to communications manager Grant Kaiser.

"Some people have been predicting that technology would kill libraries for over 30 years, but every year we set a new record and last year's was amazing," Kaiser said.

The new borrowing number surpasses 2008's numbers by 600,000 and 65 per cent of borrowed items are print, followed by 24 per cent in DVD's and 11 per cent in CD's.

"People have been predicting that technology would kill libraries for over 30 years."

Grant Kaiser, library communications

"We are a venue where people can sample things and the library actually saves the average user \$1,750," Kaiser added.

Carla London says she has been a library user for almost 30 years with no plans to stop.

"My children use it, my husband uses it, and I use it. We can get anything and everything here and since they are in school it does save us a lot of money not having to buy certain books," she said.

About 70 per cent of the library's 2.2 million items are less than five years old.



Calgary Public Library communications manager Grant Kaiser is all smiles after learning 2009 was a record year for circulation with 16,012,748 items having been lent out.

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Officer facing assault charge gets desk job

JUSTICE Administrative duties have been assigned to a veteran of the Calgary police while he faces an assault charge.

The charge stems from an incident on March 18, 2009 in which the unnamed officer patrolling alone allegedly physically assaulted a woman while trying to bring her into custody, according to deputy chief Al Redford.

"It's always disappointing to us when these things occur, but we are thankful we have authorities we answer to under the law. Our officers are no different than any other citizens in that regard, Redford said.

The Edmonton Crown prosecutor's office recommended a charge be levied in the case where the officer was trying to get the intoxicated woman home before responding to a high priority police-involved shooting that night.

KRISTA SYLVESTER/METRO CALGARY

Cops seek man after car stolen from 80-year-old

THEFT Calgary cops are looking for a man they believe is responsible for the assault of a senior and the theft of her car in the parking lot at Market Mall March 12.

An 80-year-old woman was parking and got out to assist an 84-year-old friend in loading items into the

trunk. As she walked back to get into the car a man allegedly shoved her aside and stole the car.

The man is described as Caucasian, 30-years-old, 5'8" and slim build, with a shaved head and black leather jacket.

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U of C appoints new president

EDUCATION Look up and look forward.

That's the message from newly selected University of Calgary president and vice-chancellor, Dr. Elizabeth Cannon.

In her remarks yesterday at the institution, Cannon, who will take over July 1, said the appointment was both "humbling and invigorat-

ing."

"I see so much potential at this university, and I intend to tap that potential," she said.

Cannon has served as the Dean of the U of C's Schulich School of Engineering and is a professor in the Department of Geomatics Engineering.

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The Friends of Fish Creek Provincial Park Society will be officially unveiling a new trail system in the Calgary park that creates a sustainable path system for all park users. The new trail will open tomorrow. **METRO CALGARY**

Province touts surgery waits

SPINE Wait times for Albertans needing spinal surgery is expected to shorten soon, according to the provincial health minister. Gene Zwozdesky said he has received information some cases have been moved up as much as a year since the province announced an \$8-million injection into shortening wait times. Zwozdesky will meet with Alberta Health Services in the next two days to plan the next priorities.

College hosts fire safety talk

EDUCATION Fire safety is on the minds of Calgary firefighters in the wake of the Millrise condominium fire. As a result, a public education session is planned for tonight at St. Mary's University College, 250 - 146 Ave SE, and will cover fire prevention, smoke alarms, carbon monoxide, home escape planning and cooking safety.

The session will go from 7 to 9 p.m.

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'Bear'ing it for kids

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Teddy bear hugs go a long way and thanks to the community there will now be more than 2,000 available to young victims of tragedy in the city.

The Kid's Help Phone handed hundreds of teddy bears over to the Calgary police service yesterday after the wrap-up of the 2010 Share Your Bear collection. "These teddy bears are warm, soft and cuddly and will provide that little bit of extra comfort when a young person is feeling alone," Kate Munoz of the Kids Help Phone said.

"I think in those times of sadness and loneliness it helps them feel less alone and leaves a lasting impression." It's the 10th year Girl Guides volunteers and Maxwell Realty assisted in collecting and tagging the bears to be given to the police victim assistance units to hand out to future Calgarians who may need them.

Sgt. Rick Brilz of the vic-



Sgt. Rick Brilz of the Calgary Police Service victim assistance unit and Girl Guides Spark Allison Cavanagh, 5, play in some teddy bears during the Share Your Bear Event yesterday morning.

tim assistance unit said the best thing about the bears is they are not just for kids.

"It's surprising how many people really appreciate the bears, young or old. It's not just the kids

who appreciate a gift of a teddy bear," Brilz said.

Since 2008, bears have also been handed out to homeless people through the Project Homeless Connect.

Ministries rebuilding Haitian trade school

QUAKE They're rebuilding hope one brick at a time. Calgary-based non-profit organization Haiti ARISE Ministries is in the midst of rebuilding its trade school that was in place in Grand-Goave for seven years before the January earthquake destroyed it, according to vice-president James Roberts.

"The damage was too bad to save the school but we tore it down and now we are starting over."

"But at the same time it will allow us to build ne-

cessities sooner than we would have been able to before," Roberts said.

Roberts said the hope the team feels as it rebuilds is paramount to the project that may take up to three years.

"We have hired some of the students to help rebuild."

"The thing is we aren't just building it, we are empowering them and equipping the Haitians at the same time."

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News in brief

COLLEGE Alberta solicitor general Frank Oberle pledged to fight for a promised police training college Tuesday night at a community meeting in Fort Macleod. Oberle was asked by some of the estimated 200 people why the project announced by the province in 2006 has not gone ahead. Oberle said no provincial money is earmarked for the college plan but he will come up with a new plan and try to get cabinet support.

CHARGES Banff RCMP have charged Stephen Saunders with 15 criminal counts stemming from an alleged incident involving theft from a motor vehicle near Bow Falls in Banff, Alta. Further complaints were received on similar incidents at the Upper Hot Spring and Rimrock Hotel parking lots. Police said the suspect broke into vehicles by prying or breaking a window and high value items were taken.

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Woman runs up \$20,000 credit card bill — by posing as her mom

A southern Ontario woman has pleaded guilty to posing as her mother and running up a \$20,000 credit card bill. Vicki Fox, of Norfolk County, was jailed for eight months. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Reveal face for services: Quebec

Muslim women will need to uncover their faces from now on if they want to deal with the Quebec government, according to landmark legislation tabled yesterday in the province.

In tabling the controversial bill, Quebec has delved into sensitive territory where governments in Canada have largely avoided treading.

The bill says people obtaining — or delivering — services at places like the health- or auto-insurance boards will need to do so with their faces in plain view.

It says people's face-coverings will not be tolerat-

ed if they hinder communication or visual identification.

Premier Jean Charest told a news conference the province was drawing a line in the sand in defence of two principles:

"This is a symbol of affirmation and respect."

Premier Jean Charest

gender equality and secular public institutions.

"This is a symbol of affirmation and respect — first of all, for ourselves, and al-

so for those to whom we open our arms," Charest said.

"This is not about making our home less welcoming, but about stressing the values that unite us."

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Vancouver PETA turns on the protest tap



A shower scene is the highlight of a PETA rally: Two volunteers, Amber Tegantuort and Ashley Thompson, showered nude in a Vancouver park yesterday to promote a vegan lifestyle.

Iggy feels sting from MPs

POLITICS Disappointed by an embarrassing defeat in the Commons on Tuesday night, Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff is now pondering whether to punish his own MPs.

Some refused to vote with the party on a matter of family planning and abortion.

Ignatieff denies his leadership is in peril.

"I don't think my troops

are shooting at me," he said yesterday.

But he did admit Tuesday's vote did not turn out the way he planned.

The Liberals created the problem for themselves by forcing a vote in the House of Commons on support for family-planning projects in Canadian aid.

"I would have preferred a different result," Ignatieff

said after a caucus meeting.

Outside, the Liberal leader refused get drawn into questions about what kind of punishment the MPs would face.

"We will be dealing with this as an internal caucus matter. I don't discuss those matters outside."

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Vancouver cops to probe YouTube video

POLICE Vancouver police has been asked to investigate the actions of a Victoria officer who appears to kick a suspect on the ground in an arrest that was recorded and posted on YouTube.

Victoria police Chief Jamie Graham made the announcement yesterday and added that the officer involved is now on desk duty.

The video was recorded Sunday night as three officers broke up a fight involving eight men. Six of the men were arrested and later released without charges.

A 56-second video of the incident posted on YouTube had been watched more than 60,000 times by yesterday afternoon.

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Newfoundland and Labrador's largest health board revealed that some of its staff had deliberately breached the privacy of patients. Eastern Health said some employees had wilfully gained access to electronic patient records. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Graham loses face as power deal dies

A contentious multibillion-dollar deal to sell NB Power assets to Hydro-Québec that was pitched by New Brunswick Premier Shawn Graham as the solution to his province's energy and fiscal woes is dead, but not before damaging his political image months before an election.

Graham said the tentative \$3.2-billion agreement collapsed Tuesday night after the Quebec utility sought changes that no longer made it worthwhile.

"It is with so much regret that I am announcing this morning that we are no longer proceeding with discussions to finalize the energy agreement with Hydro-Québec," Graham told the legislature yesterday. "Hydro-Québec has asked for changes to the agreement that would have unacceptably taken away some of the value and increased some of the risks for New Brunswickers."

Graham said Quebec realized that future refurbishment of the Mactaquac

Dam near Fredericton would cost Hydro-Québec more than originally expected, and wanted to change the value of the deal as a result.

Quebec Premier Jean Charest agreed that his province found unanticipated costs.

"We reached the conclusion that the sale price no longer corresponded with the assets we were buying," Charest said. "We didn't approach New Brunswick."

New Brunswick came to us, and it was done in good faith."

Williams

• Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams says New Brunswick has dodged a bullet with the collapse of the sale of NB Power assets to Hydro-Québec. Williams said yesterday he's pleased that the deal has died because he believes it would have harmed New Brunswick.

The original plan to sell NB Power, announced last October, would have seen

Hydro-Québec acquire transmission and distribution systems in addition to power plants for \$4.75 billion.

At the time, Graham touted the deal as one that would have drastically reduced the province's staggering debt and lower power rates.

But in January, Graham took transmission and distribution off the table, and said the 90-year-old utility would remain a New Brunswick-owned Crown corporation.

He amended the propos-

al following a public backlash and criticism within his own Liberal caucus. The revised deal was not enough to satisfy one cabinet minister, however, who was booted after calling for a referendum.

"There are lessons to learn from this experience," Graham said.

"People were not upset with us for taking on the electricity issue. They were angry with us because they wanted to be part of the solution and our process didn't let them in."

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Feds mull blocking prisoner's pensions

POLITICS The federal government is considering blocking prisoners convicted of serious offences from receiving old-age pensions.

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty told CBC News yesterday that he's looking into taking away federal pension rights from the likes of notorious serial killer Clifford Olson.

His comments follow an outcry from victims rights groups after it was revealed that Olson is drawing a federal pension while still in prison.

Olson, who killed at least 11 children before he was imprisoned in 1982, is eligible for both the Old Age Security pension and the Guaranteed Income Supplement.

Those programs pay about \$14,000 a year combined. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Progress made in wait times: Study

HEALTH Some progress has been made five years after the first ministers of Canada identified priority areas for reducing wait times for patients, but seven provinces still aren't on target for knee replacements, a study shows.

The report from the Canadian Institute for Health Information, bolstered by charts that compare wait times in the various provinces, indicates there's been success in shortening the wait for radiation treatments for cancer patients.

Eight provinces, including Alberta, provide at least 88 per cent of their patients with radiation therapy within the accepted time frame of four weeks, the report said.

On the flip side, the study found that patients in all the provinces wait longer for knee replacements than any other priority procedure. Only Ont-

tario, Quebec and British Columbia met the benchmark time frames of providing knee surgery for at least 75 per cent of patients within 26 weeks.

Still, these are comparisons that wouldn't have been possible just a few years ago. Widespread delays in treatment prompted the first ministers to identify the five priority areas and set benchmarks in 2004. Besides joint replacement and cancer treatment, they focused on cardiac care, cataract surgery and diagnostic imaging.

"In 2004 many provinces couldn't even measure these things, so they've come a long way," said Tracy Johnson, a manager of special projects at the institute. "This particular report has a more complete and more comparable picture of wait times across the priority areas than it's ever had before."

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Belleville, Ont. A family's scars



Surviving members of the Hannah family emerge from the Belleville, Ont. funeral home where services were held yesterday for Tracey Hannah, 46, and her daughter Whitney, 14, shot to death March 12. Daughter Shannon, 18, is shown at left still bearing scars from wounds sustained in the attack and accompanied by father Ted and sister Jamie.

Captain said to look away: Prosecutor

MILITARY Before the alleged killing of an unarmed Taliban fighter, Capt. Robert Semrau told a young comrade to look away, a military prosecutor says.

Two gunshots and several moments later, the experienced officer is alleged to have admitted to putting the wounded man out of his suffering.

Even after the 36-year-old was charged in the Oct. 19, 2008 murder of an un-

known Afghan insurgent, in January 2009, Semrau allegedly confided to one of his superiors at CFB Petawawa about an unwritten "soldier's pact," an agreement between enemy warriors that one would put the other out of his mortal misery on the battlefield if certain death could not be turned away.

"You do to the enemy what you would want or expect him to do to you,"

Capt. Thomas Fitzgerald recounted Semrau saying as Fitzgerald addressed a court martial hearing on the second-degree murder charges against the soldier.

The high-profile case is the first instance of a Canadian soldier facing murder charges for causing death on the battlefield. It is slated to run through to June and could travel back to the Afghan crime scene.

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Last month's devastating earthquake cost Chile nearly \$30 billion US, according to the government's first detailed report. The South American government is expected to recover nearly \$5 billion in insured losses, but will have to shoulder \$9.3 billion in uncovered damages, Finance Minister Felipe Larraín said yesterday. The rest will fall to the private sector. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

World



Sweat Lodge guru turns to web

The self-help guru charged with manslaughter for the deaths of three people in a sweat lodge is taking his motivational messages to the Internet. In a video posted online, James Arthur Ray, left, says he's unable to produce live events but still has a deep desire and passion to help people in any way he can. Ray invites people to join him online at least once a week so he can share tools and techniques, and insight and knowledge to deal with life's challenges.

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Pope under fire again

Faces new coverup claim, accepts resignation of Irish bishop

Pope Benedict XVI accepted the resignation of an Irish bishop yesterday for his failure to report child-molesting priests to police — and faced a renewed reminder of the German abuse case most closely linked to his own time in charge of Munich.

Bishop John Magee — who served as secretary to Benedict's three papal predecessors before returning to Ireland in 1987 — apologized to victims of any pedophile priests who were kept in parish posts during his 23 years overseeing the southwest Irish diocese of Cloyne.

"To those whom I have failed in any way, or through any omission of mine have made suffer, I beg forgiveness and pardon," the 73-year-old

Magee said in his resignation statement. Irish government investigators are continuing to explore Cloyne abuse coverups and expect to report findings later this year. The Vatican is on the defensive over ever-unfolding accusations that church leaders have protected child abusers for decades in many countries.

Benedict last week issued an unprecedented letter to Ireland addressing the 16 years of church coverup scandals here.

But he has yet to say anything about his handling of the Rev. Peter Hullermann, the case known to have developed on the pope's

watch when, as Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, he oversaw the Munich Archdiocese from 1977 to 1982.

Munich archdiocese spokesman Bernhard Kellner said yesterday a new person has come forward claiming to have been abused in 1998 by Hullermann. Kellner gave no other details.

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France No 'corporate' sex



French sex workers march in Paris yesterday, protesting a lawmaker's proposal to legalize brothels in France which they say means they would be working for a "company." They want the repeal of a 2003 law penalizing solicitation, which they say prevents them from working independently in the open.

News in brief

MIDDLE EAST The Jerusalem municipality has approved 20 new apartments for Jews in an Arab neighbourhood of east Jerusalem, the city said yesterday, in a move that

could stir a new diplomatic crisis with the United States just as Israel's leader is in Washington on a fence-mending visit.

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Island disappears in Bay of Bengal

SUBMERGED For nearly 30 years, India and Bangladesh have argued over control of a tiny rock island in the Bay of Bengal. Now rising sea levels have resolved the dispute for them: the island's gone. New Moore Island in the Sunderbans has been completely submerged, said oceanographer Sugata Hazra, a professor at Jadavpur University in Calcutta. Its disappearance has been confirmed by satellite imagery and sea patrols, he said. "What these two countries could not achieve from years of talking, has been resolved by global warming," said Hazra. Scientists at the School of Oceanographic Studies at the university have noted an alarming increase in the rate at which sea levels have risen over the past decade in the Bay of Bengal.

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Accused pediatrician pleads not guilty

A Delaware pediatrician pleaded not guilty yesterday to charges that he molested more than 100 of his patients. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sites under privacy microscope again

You have been tagged in 12 photos — even if you're not signed up to the web-site.

European regulators are investigating whether the practice of posting photos, videos and other information about people on sites such as Facebook without their consent is a breach of privacy laws. The Swiss and German probes go to the heart of a debate that has gained momentum in Europe amid high-profile privacy cases: To what extent are social networking platforms responsible for the content their members up-

load?

The actions set the stage for a fresh battle between American web giants and European authorities a month after an Italian court held three Google executives criminally responsible for a user-posted video.

Any changes could drastically alter the way Facebook, YouTube and others operate, shifting the responsibility for privacy from users to the company.

Swiss and German data protection commissioners are demanding that Facebook explain its practice of allowing users to upload

email addresses, photographs and other personal details about people who haven't signed up.

"The way it's organized at the moment, they simply allow anyone who wants to use this service to say they have the consent of their friends or acquaintances," Swiss commissioner Hanspeter Thuer said.

To conform with Switzerland's strict privacy law, Facebook could be required to contact those whose information has been posted online and ask them whether they agree to it, he said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Greece Parade scaled back



Teachers dressed in traditional Greek costume take part in a parade in Athens yesterday. The annual event has been scaled back as part of government cuts to cope with the country's debt crisis.

Indonesian police order cancellation of gay conference

JAKARTA Indonesian police ordered the cancellation yesterday of a conference of Asian gay activists, saying it could prompt violent protests by conservative Muslim groups.

The conference, organized by the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association, or ILGA, was due to take place this weekend with participants from 16 countries.

The ban was issued by police in Surabaya, East Java's capital, where the three-day event was to be held, national police spokesman Brig. Gen. Sulistyo Ishak said.

"There are indications that the event could trigger a social crisis and

"The event will hurt Indonesian Muslims because lesbians and gays are contrary to Islamic teaching."

Abdussomad Bukhori, cleric

cause public unrest," Ishak said. "This ban was issued for the sake of public order."

Poedjiati Tan, head of the organizing committee, said more than 150 activists representing 100 organizations in 16 Asian countries planned to attend the conference.

"We want to convince

Indonesian authorities and religious leaders that we only want to talk about social problems related to this minority group," she said. "We are seeking direction and a way out of our problems in health, education and issues of discrimination."

However, Abdussomad Bukhori, a prominent member of the cleric council, said the board would oppose any kind of gay event.

"The event will hurt Indonesian Muslims because lesbians and gays are contrary to Islamic teaching," he said. "We will continue to reject any kind of homosexual event."

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U.S. President Barack Obama is calling on the Cuban government to respect the rights of its people. In a statement yesterday, Obama called the recent jailhouse death of a dissident on a hunger strike and uniformed security agents blocking a march by women demanding the released of jailed loved ones "deeply disturbing". **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Treatment of Cuban dissidents 'disturbing': Obama

Government finds home in drug mansions

Election workers scurry across the airy courtyard of their lavish new headquarters, a three-story building that hardly suffered a crack in Haiti's earthquake.

With its stately iron gates, the building looks like a government office. But until recently, it was an upscale shopping centre, the \$1.8 million property of a major cocaine

trafficker.

New co-operation between Haitian authorities and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration before the Jan. 12 earthquake brought an unexpected yield to a country whose infrastructure is in ruins: Confiscated properties that are spacious, opulent — and free.

The drug lords built them to last. While the

quake destroyed all the government ministries' headquarters, only four of the 30 seized buildings suffered quake damage.

"It's bizarre that the buildings built by drug traffickers survived and the government buildings collapsed," said Max Boutin, who administers the properties for a Haitian anti-drug trafficking commission. "Now the build-

Elections first

- While the president and government ministries still operate out of a police station and tents, the elections council was relocated first because of the priority given to preparing for the election later this year.

ings will be here to support the government."

The Haitian government began confiscating traffickers' real estate a little more than a year ago with help from U.S. investigators. The DEA says the seizures are worth roughly \$25 million so far. The list of stores and mansions includes some of the most desirable properties in areas just outside the hard-hit downtown.

That doesn't mean the

offices of the collapsed Presidential Palace will be operating out of a narco-mansion anytime soon.

Many of the confiscated properties may be too residential or too distant from downtown for the government, said Patrick Delatour, who is in charge of reconstruction. So far, the mall is the only one hosting government operations. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Three killed in Norway runaway train crash

OSLO Sixteen runaway train cars careened downhill for five kilometres and crashed into a port building yesterday, killing three workers, before two of the cars plunged into the water.

The empty train cars broke loose from a cargo train and slammed into the port terminal on the edge of the Oslo fjord, destroying the building, officials said.

The victims had been working in or around the terminal, police spokeswoman Martine Laeng said. A worker initially re-

"The last car was practically airborne,"
Vegar Halveg

ported missing was later confirmed as one of three casualties; three people were reported injured.

It was not immediately clear how the train cars became detached. Authorities said they started rolling from a rail yard in eastern Oslo and accelerated as they moved toward the industrial port.

Vegar Halveg, who works for a transport com-

pany at the port, said he heard a loud screech and looked out the window to see several empty cargo train cars speed past.

"They were going much faster than they usually do, so we realized something was wrong," Halveg said, estimating their speed at more than 100 km/h. "The last car was practically airborne."

Halveg said several cars derailed and one hit a dump truck. The driver was injured, but conscious when paramedics put him in an ambulance.

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California Growers may get day in the sun



Marijuana grown for medical purposes is shown inside a greenhouse at a farm in Potter Valley, Calif. In the mountain forests along California's North Coast, refugees from San Francisco's Summer of Love have spent four decades hiding from the law as they tended some of the world's most fabled marijuana gardens. Several statewide efforts to legalize marijuana could finally let those growers come out into the light.

Democrats targeted by vandals

HEALTH BILL Unrest over federal health care legislation has turned to vandalism and threats, with bricks hurled through Democrats' windows, a propane line cut at the home of a congressman's brother and menacing phone messages left for lawmakers who supported the bill.

The FBI is investigating the instances, which include shattered windows at four Democratic offices in New York, Arizona and Kansas. At least 10 members of Congress have reported some sort of threat as of yesterday, and no arrests have been made.

The brick flung through the window of a county Democratic Party office in Rochester, New York, over

GOP leader

- House Republican leader John Boehner of Ohio said in a statement that while many Americans are angry over the bill's passage, "violence and threats are unacceptable."

the weekend had a note attached: "Extremism in defence of liberty is no vice," roughly quoting 1964 Republican presidential nominee Barry Goldwater.

Rep. Louise Slaughter, a New York congresswoman whose office window also was smashed with a brick accused the Republican leadership of failing to denounce the attacks.

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Australian cops investigated over 'sickening' email

MELBOURNE Up to 100 police officers in the Australian state of Victoria are under investigation over a racist email message that has been circulated in the internal police email system.

Chief Commissioner Simon Overland told The Age newspaper that anyone who introduced the material into the system would be fired.

The investigation centres on a graphic image of a non-Caucasian man being tortured, the newspaper reported yesterday.

Computer experts tracking the email have found that several police had added "sickening" racist comments before forwarding the email.

The report said those who forwarded the image to others would be cautioned, while those who added comments faced more serious internal charges.

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News in brief

NEW JERSEY For 22 years, Joseph N. Merlino and his mother have been denied permission for their concrete-reinforcing company to work in the Atlantic City casino industry, largely because Merlino's late father was mobster Lawrence (Yogi) Merlino and his cousin is

former mob boss Joseph (Skinny Joey) Merlino. Now, a New Jersey Casino Control Commission hearing officer is recommending the company receive a license to do work for casinos. The commission must vote on the decision within 45 days.

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Read between the lines

Relating

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In the era of social media, online dating has shed its shameful image. "We met over the Internet" is a phrase no longer greeted with pity or whispered warnings. Lavalife is the new community singles dance. Christian Mingle is the new church picnic. J-date is the new pushy Bubbe.

Of course, it's wise to proceed with caution. You can discover a lot about someone from their dating profile — more than you might think. Here's how to read between their lines:

He writes: I like hiking, cycling, tennis, hockey, etc. I'm looking for someone who can keep up

with my active lifestyle.

Translation: No fatties.

He writes: I really respect strong women and would love to find a successful, independent female to share my life.

Translation: I'm unemployed and you're picking up the tab. Forever.

She writes: I've had my heart broken many times in the past, so I'm looking for something real. Players need not apply!!!!!!

Translation: Historically, I have a habit of selecting

wildly inappropriate romantic partners and will continue to do so because that is how I roll. If you are a kind, sincere gentleman who cares about me and wishes to settle down, I will wonder what is wrong with you, complain to my friends that you are too needy and stop returning your calls.

He writes: I prefer the simpler things in life.

Translation: I live in a basement, sleep on my ex-girlfriend's discarded futon and opt for meals that can be prepared using only a can opener and a microwave.

She writes: Well, what can I say? I'm a nice person. I like shopping and chill-

ing with my friends. If u like what u see, let's meet for a coffee and take it from there.

Translation: I have nothing relevant or interesting to say on any subject and am passionate about nothing. Hope you like awkward silence!

He writes: I'm very much in touch with my feminine side.

Translation: I will try on your underwear when you are at work.

They write: My friends think I'm funny.

Translation: I've watched that YouTube video of the monkey picking his bum, smelling his finger and falling off the tree like a million times!

She writes: I wuvv my kitty-cat! LOL! Her name is Tiddlywinks and she is mummy's precious widdle baby angel, yes she is!

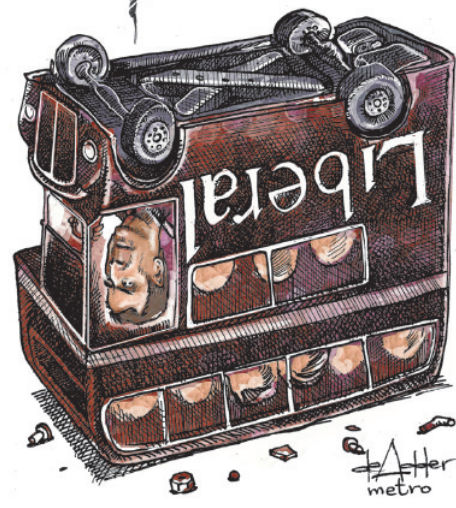
Translation: Run!

Good luck out there.

Sofi Papamarko is a 20-something writer based in Toronto. Her heroes include Desmond Morris and Nancy Sinatra.



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Worth mentioning

DNA analysis may indicate new member of family tree

In the latest use of DNA to investigate the story of humankind, scientists have decoded genetic material from an unidentified human ancestor that lived in Siberia and concluded it might be a new member of the human family tree.

The DNA doesn't match modern humans or Neanderthals, two species that lived in that area around the same time — 30,000 to 50,000 years ago.

Instead, it suggests the Siberian species lineage split off from the branch leading to moderns and Neanderthals a million years ago, the researchers calculated. And they said that doesn't seem to match the history of human ancestors previously known from fossils.

So the Siberian species may be brand new, although the scientists cautioned they're not ready to

make that claim yet.

Other experts agreed that while the Siberian species may be new, the case is far from proven.

"We really don't know," said Ian Tattersall of the American Museum of Natural History in New York, who wasn't involved in the new research.

But "the human family tree has got a lot of branchings. It's entirely plausible there are a lot of branches out there we don't know about."

The discovery "is like many new finds," said Eric Delson of Lehman College of the City University of New York, who didn't participate in the new work. "You say, 'I think this is different, but I'm not sure.' And then you look for more material and you try to make better comparisons."

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Views

Girls and their guitars an inspiring sight

FourthWave

Canice Leung

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When I started going to punk shows as a teen, there were just a handful of girls in a male-dominated scene. It was apparent there were two options for girls who wanted to fit in: Exploit your sexuality, or be one of the boys.

When I saw The Runaways this past week, it was déjà vu. The new movie, about the late-1970s all-girl rock band, is advertised as a biopic about "the first girls to rock," and I'd say that's a

pretty good assessment.

The two protagonists, guitarist Joan Jett and singer Cherie Currie, aim for those two tactics: Sex or toughness.

Currie, known for her corsets and fishnets, chose the former; Jett, in black and leather, chose the latter (and so did I).

The idea of an all-girl band was received poorly: Jett's guitar teacher tries to teach her On Top Of Old Smokey, and declares that girls play acoustic — not electric — guitars. At early shows, they were pelted with garbage; one detractor sneered that "guys don't like girls who are tough. Guys like girls who

are soft and flirty."

Yes, once upon a time, people were THAT offended by female musicians — thankfully, that contempt doesn't exist anymore, but the idea of female rebellion still does.

Consider Currie was just 15 years old when she joined the band. On stage, she strutted with a microphone cord snaked around her fishnetted leg. Shocking! But rock 'n' roll is built on sexuality, and so much of growing up is about taking control of one's own body.

In one scene, the band's manager howled: "Rock is a blood sport — it's for men. This isn't about

women's lib, it's about women's libido." In recent interviews, Jett said her "parents always told me I could do anything I wanted." Of her image, she said: "I think it's important that you're able to own it. And women owning their sexuality is threatening."

Rock music has a transformative effect — for misfits such as these girls, it's an escape from a life you don't fit into; it connects you with likeminded people, ideas, politics. It was for me, and I'd guess it was for The Runaways, too. All you can do is throw yourself into the rough and tumble and hope you come out the other side.

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South Korean tycoon returns to Samsung

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Carney issues rates warning

INTEREST Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney gave his most explicit warning to date that higher interest rates are coming, and perhaps sooner and higher than previously thought.

The bank governor has always maintained that his promise to keep interest rates at historic lows was contingent on inflation remaining tame, but yesterday issued a clear alarm that he is worried about prices. And in a speech before the Ottawa Economic Association, he underlined just how qualified his commitment to keeping the policy rate at 0.25 until at least July has become.

"This commitment is expressly conditional on the outlook for inflation," he stressed.

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Mobile banking up

ING Direct latest to launch full-featured app

Mobile banking is finally gaining steam in Canada, long after U.S. consumers started paying bills on their BlackBerrys and iPhones, but some analysts wonder whether Canadians will rush to embrace banking apps.

ING Direct is the latest Canadian financial institution to launch a full-featured mobile banking app that allows customers to transfer funds, check account balances and transactions, and search for the nearest ATM on a BlackBerry or iPhone.

Last month, CIBC released an iPhone app that allows money transfers and bill payments. Scotiabank's BlackBerry and iPhone apps only allow users to find their nearest



branch or ATM, while RBC and TD Bank don't have an app but have optimized websites for banking on mobile phones.

In a report released last month, Forrester Research suggested Canadians are very happy with online banking and aren't really

all that interested in going mobile. In a survey of nearly 6,000 Canadians, the most popular responses to why users hadn't enrolled in mobile banking were: "I don't see the point," "I get everything I need from online banking," and "my banking needs are not that urgent that I can't wait to access my accounts through the phone, ATM, or the web."

The Canadian market for mobile banking is still relatively small but it will grow and it makes sense for banks to go after the early adopters, said IDC Canada analyst Robert Burbach.

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Starbucks Brewing confidence



Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz addresses the company's annual shareholders meeting yesterday in Seattle. Starbucks Corp. will begin paying a 10-cents-per-share dividend to investors, Schultz said, signalling confidence the firm's ambitious turnaround effort has taken hold.

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Business in brief

EMPLOYMENT Statistics Canada reports 698,800 people received regular Employment Insurance benefits in January, down 47,700 from December. It was their fourth straight monthly decline as the number of beneficiaries fell in every

province, especially Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia and Quebec.

REALTORS The Canadian Real Estate Association says it has not received any offers from the Competition Bureau to settle allegations of anti-competitive behaviour and

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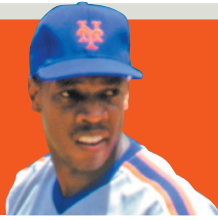
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Forbes' annual rankings show that Hendrick Motorsports is the most valuable team in NASCAR for the second consecutive year. Forbes' report released yesterday shows NASCAR's top team is worth \$350 million US. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sports

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Woods to speak before Masters

GOLF Tiger Woods will speak before he plays in the Masters.

Woods is scheduled to hold his first press conference in nearly five months at 2 p.m. on Monday, April 5, according to a tentative interview schedule that Augusta National released yesterday.

It will be his first press conference in nearly five months, and his first time facing a room full of reporters since he crashed his SUV into a tree on Nov. 27, setting off shocking revelations of rampant infidelity.

The Masters only recently began conducting a press

"I suppose the best thing he could do would be open up and just let you guys shoot at him."

Arnold Palmer on Tiger Woods

conference on Monday of tournament week, usually a player with only moderate news interest because most of the media isn't there yet.

Woods is the only player scheduled for an interview that day. Given the sensational nature of his downfall, what he says could trump the NCAA basketball championship game held later that night.

Arnold Palmer, one of the most popular players in golf history, suggested that Woods be more open with reporters.

"It's up to him to do and say whatever he feels he needs to do to redeem the situation, put it in the proper place," Palmer said. "... I suppose the best thing he could do would be open up and just let you guys shoot at him." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Gooden charged after crash

Former Major League Baseball star Dwight Gooden, left, has been charged with driving under the influence of drugs and leaving the scene of an accident. The former pitcher for the New York Mets and New York Yankees had a child in his vehicle at the time of the two-vehicle crash around 9 a.m. Tuesday, police said. Police wouldn't say whose child it was, but they said no one was hurt. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Chan soars into second

Relaxed skater excels at world championships

Patrick Chan's wide smile was back, and so was the wonderfully familiar sense of lightness in his skating that had abandoned him so abruptly in Vancouver.

With the weight of the pressure of the Olympics off his shoulders, the Canadian finds himself in the hunt for his second consecutive medal at the world figure skating championships, finishing second in the short program yesterday with the best skate of his season.

"I kind of got into that zone and got into that flow of just enjoying myself and being in the moment and taking each element at a time and taking my time doing each one," Chan said. "I think Vancouver just helps you on all levels of confidence and elements and everything. It was finally good to be at worlds and really enjoy it instead of being nervous about everything that surrounds it."

"I felt great on the



Patrick Chan performs his short program yesterday at the world figure skating championships.

warmup and really was relaxed off the ice, and wasn't nervous, and then I went out and it all went by really fast so I think that's a good sign."

The 19-year-old from Toronto scored 87.80 points for his performance to Tango de los Exilodos, more than six points higher than he scored a month ago in Vancouver, where he bobbed his triple Axel, stum-

bled on his step sequence and then stepped off the ice at a jam-packed Pacific Coliseum with a look of utter bewilderment. Chan went on to finish fifth in his Olympic debut.

Daisuke Takahashi of Japan, the Olympic bronze medalist, scored 89.30 points to take the lead heading into today's long program.

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Sports in brief

CURLING Canada's Jennifer Jones suffered the first blemish on her record at the women's world curling championship yesterday with an 8-7 loss in an extra end to Germany's Andrea Schopp.
NBA The Denver Nuggets might not have coach George Karl back on the sideline until the playoffs begin next month. Karl is undergoing treatment for throat and neck cancer and, according to a blog by his girlfriend, he was hospitalized this week with blood clots in his lungs and a leg.

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NFL rule changes aim to further protect players

MEETINGS NFL players should be safer during games thanks to several rules changes passed at the league meetings yesterday.

They also might be playing longer in regular-season overtimes.

The NFL passed rules to further protect defenceless players, including ball carriers who lose their helmet during a play. Seven of eight overall rules proposals were adopted, then several owners said they also expect the modified overtime for the playoffs that passed the previous day to be revisited in May to include the regular season.

"It's a better system, so why not have a better system every game?" Philadelphia Eagles owner Jeffrey Lurie said of expanding the new OT rule that allows a team losing the coin toss and allowing a field goal on the first series to then get a possession.

New York Giants owner John Mara added he expects discussion and possibly a vote on using the new

OT system to occur at the owners meetings in Dallas in May. The change was proposed only for the post-season by the competition committee and was passed 28-4 Tuesday.

Commissioner Roger Goodell said the league wants to meet with the players and the networks for some input and further discuss the ramifications of expanding the OT change.

"We had a proposal for the post-season, we passed that with the understanding that it'll be discussed for the regular season," he said.

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Keeping up with demand

The consumer demand for the area has Walton Development Management estimating two more phases of lots will be released over the next few months with nine phases being the probable total when everything is developed. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

17**Your Neighbourhood:**

SkyView Ranch

Living the high life in the new north

Diverse neighbourhood a draw for those looking to move back to mountains

Calgary's new northeast community SkyView Ranch opened up to the public with 24 show homes in September 2008 and has been thriving ever since.

The area even gathered a little fame as My Rona Home, a reality TV home design show, had two families compete and construct two neighbouring SkyView homes in the fall of 2009, which was all caught on camera.

Walton Development and Management Inc. is the area's developer and their initial community plan was to accommodate the growing northeast section of Calgary, explained Steve Hobbs, Walton's marketing vice president.

"That area of the city is high, so you look overtop of the city at the mountains."

Jim Stevenson, SkyView alderman

"It is a very diverse part of the city and we have found that many people that grew up in the north-east and have moved on to other quadrants of the city wanted to move back," Hobbs wrote in an email.

The name SkyView is very literal. "That area of the city is high, so you look overtop of the city at the mountains," SkyView alderman Jim Stevenson said.

Stevenson explained the area's borders include Metis Trail to the west, 128th Avenue to the north and Country Hills Boulevard to

the south suiting the needs of people looking for easy access to numerous freeways: Deerfoot Trail, Stoney Trail, Barlow Trail and Metis Trail.

"The community is perfect for young professionals as well as those who travel a lot for business or pleasure as it has great access to the airport," Hobbs wrote.

Hobbs noted the builders in the community — Creations by Shane, Innovations by Jayman, Beattie Homes, Morrison Homes, Pacesetter, Excel, Shane Homes and Lionsworthe



Saturday sees the grand opening of 17 more showhomes in the SkyView Ranch development.

Homes — are a big draw for interested buyers to consider the new area to build in.

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Something for everyone in SkyView homes

Extra amenities, features make development worth coming home to

MICHELLE LINDSTROM
for Metro Calgary



The deep northeast of Calgary has a wealth of home designs and reputable builders for interested home seekers to take advantage of.

SkyView Ranch has laned homes starting in the low \$300s by Beattie Fit Homes, Innovations by Jayman and Creations by Shane. Notable options found in some of the four Creations by Shane showhomes on Skyview Ranch Way include double french doors opening into a den, a vaulted ceiling in the family room, hardwood throughout main traffic areas, a fabulous sun room right off the foyer and welcoming living room gas fireplaces.

Front drive homes on Skyview Springs Gardens start in the high \$300s by Pacesetter, Excel, Shane Homes and Morrison.

Extra curb appeal is won by Morrison's showhomes, according to the builder's SkyView area manager Troy Taylor, because of upgraded



One side of front drive style showhomes from multiple builders in SkyView Ranch neighbourhood.

garage and entry doors as well as their pot lights and corner stone work.

The front drive home lots range from 32 to 36 feet wide with each model taking advantage of the space above the garage for a bonus room or extra bedroom space.

Shoshana Katz SkyView Ranch area associate of Pacesetter Homes says their most popular model in the community has four bedrooms and a bonus room, which serves the diverse demographic she notes the area attracts.

"When you have a four

bedroom plan, that typically means your main floor is a lot larger — providing more space and a better design overall," Taylor says. "So, the clients are liking the idea of having the extra bedroom (to be) used for all kinds of different things, such as another play area or the kids'

"Clients are liking the idea of having the extra bedroom."

Troy Taylor, SkyView area manager

home study room."

Semi-detached options welcome SkyView visitors right at the community entrance facing the main playground and basketball courts. These homes start in the \$280s and are built by Lionsworthe Homes.

Each model follows the architectural control direction of arts and crafts or mountain vernacular.

The builders' artistic interpretations have generated homes built or clad with shakes (painted or natural), stone, full and partial front porches, bulky front columns, Smartboard batten work, covered upper decks and exposed beams and brackets.

"Amenities, location, convenience, design, quality — you name it, it's in the area," Katz says. "There's something for everyone."

Life is a highway

Living on the outskirts of the city has its perks, but when public transit comes into play the perks can start to dwindle. SkyView Ranch sits in Calgary's very deep northeast quadrant — even past the airport — yet many residents say the location is the main reason they live there. "I work downtown and I drive — it's beautiful," says Dan Miller, right, new SkyView Ranch resident considering the quick access to the Stoney Trail

ring road then Deerfoot and he's at work in no time. "It'll be nice to have some transit though. We don't have any bus lines yet," Miller says, adding he'd definitely take the C-Train to work when that proposed development is completed for the community. SkyView's alderman Jim Stevenson says the city is currently working out a plan with the developer, Walton Development and Management Inc., to get bus service in the community. Depending on provincial government funding, Stevenson says the LRT line is slated to be built right in SkyView Ranch in the next three to four years after the latest extension in Saddle Ridge is complete.

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back drop of the community, to the fully developed 2 acre park that includes a interactive play ground, two basketball courts and a number of seating areas to soak in the spectacular views of the Rocky Mountains, you sense this community has a lot to offer.

The developed amenities are only one of many special features that make up Skyview Ranch. The eight builders within the community are another — with decades of experience building homes for growing Calgary families and they have brought the expertise and diverse home designs which compliment the Arts & Crafts and Mountain Vernacular architecture to SkyView Ranch. This award winning builder group consists of Morrison Homes, Shane Homes, Pacesetter Homes, Excel Homes, Innovations by Jayman, Beattie Homes, Creations by Shane and Lionsworthe Homes. Recently

nominated for "Community of the Year" and "Best New Community", SkyView Ranch will be celebrating the unveiling of 17 new show homes this Saturday.

SkyView Ranch has become a very popular new community for families to call home, says Steve Hobbs, vice president of marketing for Walton Development and Management, as there are currently over 200 residents actively living in the community and over 200 more currently under construction. The demand for the area has accelerated the release of additional lots to our builder group as the builders continue to encounter enthused purchasers visiting the show homes on a weekly basis. There are a variety of great lots available, a number of them back on to a linear pathway with green space or have great views of the mountains and city skyline.

Walton Development and Management understand it's not enough to just build a community — SkyView has been built to be enduring; to be a place where many years in the future people will still say that it is a great place to live, that it is something unique and special.

If the community's first year is any indication of how the rest of the community will progress, people who are in the market for a new home should take the short drive out to SkyView Ranch today and see why SkyView Ranch has become so popular. SkyView Ranch can be accessed by the new Stoney Trail NE extension just off of Métis Trail.

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SkyView offers park lifestyle

Nightlife abounds in neighbouring communities

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for Metro Calgary

The long-term plan for SkyView Ranch is to have a mix of everything, but at the moment community members have to go elsewhere for entertainment beyond walking or playing in the park.

Sukhpreet Sahota, 25, moved into the community with her husband and young daughter last summer because of the location; she works at the airport.

For fun, she visits Cross-Iron Mills Mall in Balzac, which is roughly a five minute drive north of SkyView. Sahota also frequents her community green-spaces and parks with her family or they head to Cardel Place — west of SkyView Ranch in the Coventry Hills community on the other side of Deerfoot Trail — since it is so close to take her daughter swimming.

Karen, 31, and Dan Miller, 34, have a one-year-old daughter, which was part of the reason they started house shopping months ago. They admit they aren't really in the market right now for an active nightlife, but if they were there not much currently in SkyView for them to take part in.

Instead, they take advantage of the community's



Shopping and nightlife can be found in outlying areas

For now residents can take advantage of parks in their neighbourhood. The long-term development plan is to have a mix of everything in the community.

nice landscaping and parks during their free time.

Other than the nearby Cross Iron Mills, Sunridge Mall is relatively close — south of the airport near the Peter Lougheed hospital — for SkyView Ranch residents to consider shopping at or dining at some informal restaurants like Smitty's or Chuck E Cheese.

For singles or parents taking a night off, they can head west across Deerfoot Trail to take in a movie at the Country Hills Empire

"It's about a 10- to 15-year development and we're still within the first two years."

Shoshana Katz,
Pacesetter

Theatres. Or there are more options south, such as Chili's restaurant right on Airport Road, or a little farther into Falconridge: Nirvana East Indian Restaurant and Lounge or Bamboo House Chinese Food to tempt hungry appetites.

"Currently, you probably

have to leave the area since it's still such a new development and there's no commercial in the area — but there will be," says Shoshana Katz, Pacesetter area associate for SkyView Ranch regarding the community's nightlife.

"It's about a 10- to 15-year development and we're still within the first two years," she says, adding residents are fully aware this new community will be under construction for some time with local amenities continually emerging: Big box stores, gas stations and strip malls.

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Clean up time of year

This week Metro Homes will be focusing on starting anew, just like the current season, spring. With spring time upon, that means it's time to tidy up all the clutter that's been clanging around the house in the winter months. So grab a broom and enjoy.

Creative storage for spring cleaning

I recently visited a friend's condo who showed me a spare bedroom that she had transformed into a large dressing room. In her magical room she could have shoes, hats, belts, jewellery and all of her clothing on display. Most of us can't afford such luxuries as extra rooms, time or the money to create such an extravagance for our wardrobe. There are however a few places around the house that can offer up organized storage to keep our lives a bit more orderly, especially as we all start cleaning up this spring.



Be creative when finding extra storage space in your home.

Bedroom:

Adding floor-to-ceiling, built-in cabinetry on each side of your bed will replace night tables and offer as much storage as four

dressers. Keep the cabinetry open at bed height for easy access to a lamp, alarm clock and books.

Add a second hanging rod in the closet. It will double

the hanging space for shirts, pants and jackets.

Install an extra shelf above the top rack in the closet; it's a great place to hide away out of season

shoes and accessories.

Kitchen:

Filling a wall with decorative floating shelves can display attractive baskets, gin-

ger jars and containers for storage.

Got a blank wall? Try adding some additional cabinetry for storage. Glass doors on top will make them look lighter and less bulky.

Spare bedroom:

Consider a murphy bed; they are great for tucking out of sight when guests are not around and make the room look larger.

If you are not using the closet for clothing, consider turning it into a home office. A few built-in shelves and a simple electrical installation can give you a work station that can be hidden behind doors.

Attic space in a house or 'bonus den' in condos:

As long as you can add a closet you can have a bed-

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room! I love the open closet project (pictured).

A built-in desk with shelving above will add vertical storage and make use of those weird, unusable spaces.

Don't know where to start? I suggest calling a closet organizer to come for a visit to your home. They will access the space you've got and create an organized oasis for you and all your stuff. Californiaclosets.com is a good place to start as they have professionals in every major city.

Karl Lohnes is passionate about good decor and wants to help you have a beautiful home; no matter what your budget or style.

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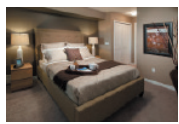
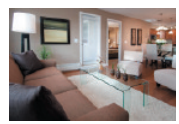
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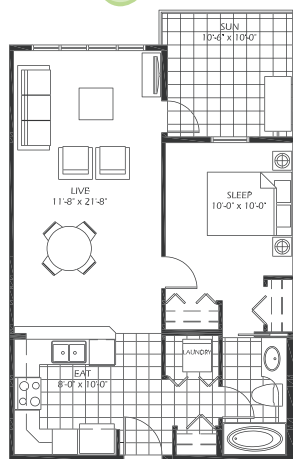
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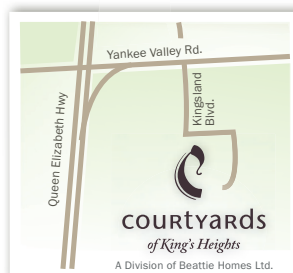
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Extreme clutter may be sign of disorder

From clothes, papers and trash strewn throughout rooms to refrigerators crammed with rotting food, the show *Hoarders* offers a startling glimpse of individuals whose inability to discard things overruns both their homes and lives.

The hit A&E reality series, which debuted last fall on TVTropolis in Canada and fits in perfectly with the theme of spring cleaning, shines a spotlight on people living with the obsessive-compulsive disorder, and on the professionals and organizational experts who help steer them towards recovery.

Hellen Buttigieg, a certified professional organizer and life coach, said she has seen similar situations and that it occurs a lot more than people think. One of the biggest insights she's gained from the series is that for hoarders, working with a professional organizer isn't enough.

"You certainly need to see a therapist because it is a serious pathological disorder," said Buttigieg, owner of We Organize U in Oakville, Ont.

While the series showcases an extreme level of hoarding, many individuals undoubtedly face their own unique challenges in trying to keep their homes and workplaces organized and clutter-free.

Buttigieg said there are a number of things that prevent people from letting go of things. Among them: fear, namely that they will need the items someday down the road. Another obstacle is the decision-making process and figuring out what it is you'll need.

"Have a look at the things that are really, really important for you," said Buttigieg, co-author of *Organizing Outside the Box: Conquer Clutter Using Your Natural Learning Style*.

"Mine for the diamonds... the things that matter most



A photo of a cluttered living room as seen on an episode of the latest season of the A&E series *Hoarders*.

"Mine for the diamonds ... the things that matter most rather than the things that kind of matter but in the grand scheme of things aren't that important."

Professional organizer
Hellen Buttigieg

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First, Buttigieg said it's important to look at your expectations.

Setting unrealistic goals, such as saying you're going to clean up in one weekend a mess that took 30 years to amass can sabotage your success, she said.

Buttigieg also recommends having an advance plan and marking a date on the calendar rather than just setting to work when the mood strikes. That way, you can have all supplies at the ready, like boxes to place donation items, markers, labels and garbage bags, she said.

"It allows you to kind of get the momentum going and to be prepared so when that day arrives, you can conquer the clutter head on."

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Cleaning house, the Vileda way

SPRING CLEANING Vileda is celebrating a slew of anniversaries for their products just in time for spring cleaning. When you buy one of the following items, you get a chance at winning quite an interesting vacation package, read on for details.

The **Vileda Super Twist Mop** turns 30 this year. It was Canada's first non-wo-

ven sting mop and is currently the No. 1 selling mop in Canada.

This year, the **Oskar Broom** celebrates its 25th anniversary. The angled broom's bristles are made of recycled plastic bottles making it a popular choice for the environmentally conscious spring cleaner.

Vileda's **Fibro Contact Mop** is now 15 years old. It's

trapezoidal shape and cotton-microfibre blend make it great for cleaning and it's machine washable as well.

For more details on Vileda products and the Anniversary Celebration, visit Vileda.ca.

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Hospital gowns revamped

Some good news for hospital patients: a gown that won't let you down. Stylish hospital gowns that snap down the side were unveiled in Britain on Tuesday, intended to replace those shapeless cloth sacks with useless ties that flash open. **THE ASSOCIATES PRESS**

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Style

**Obama designer closes shop**

The signs of Maria Pinto's rise were clear when Michelle Obama entered the world stage wearing her designs, also favoured by Oprah Winfrey. Today the signs on Pinto's Chicago shop say something different: "Closeout" and "Final Sale." Pinto (pictured left) is closing her Chicago boutique with a liquidation sale through Saturday offering discounts of up to 70 per cent on her clothing, some of which is priced at thousands of dollars per piece. The designer blames a poor economy.

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Celebrity arm candy

Designer's whimsical leather bags are a Hollywood hit

JANINE FALCON
for Metro Canada



"It always, I think, starts for me with a pretty idea, and then we work backwards, how do we make this practical," confesses handbag designer Rebecca Minkoff in an interview with Metro.

"Sometimes honestly, I'll admit, I'm not the most practical."

We're talking about her first bag, the Morning After, designed at the request of friend Jenna Elfman, and the one that launched Minkoff as a handbag designer of celebrity note. Still the best-seller, and one of an assortment now available at Holt Renfrew, it's actually her most practical, with several tidy pockets, room for sleepover essentials, and a style esthetically appropriate for office and out-of-office hours.

As an example of her design whimsy when she'd first created the Morning After, she points out the shiny D-rings she'd added only as details to the sides just because she liked the shape. "I had stores calling saying 'you shipped it without the shoulder strap,'" she recalls. There was no strap because Minkoff doesn't like the look of one with the bag, but she had to concede. "It became 'if you want this bag to sell, it needs to have a shoulder strap.'"

Minkoff's work adorns the arms of the pretty-and-famous such as Rachel McAdams, Hilary Duff and Sarah Jessica Parker and many, many more. She's had no formal training in bag design; it all began with

"Almost every store is asking for an exclusive, even Saks, as a way of getting people in the door"

Handbag designer Rebecca Minkoff



Rebecca Minkoff Leopard Lovenote Clutch, \$475, above, and Linear Stud Flame, \$595, right.



Rebecca Minkoff Morning After Bag, \$715

sewing when she was eight. At 13 she made her bat mitzvah dress, and prom and graduation dresses followed.

Her label debuted with clothing in 2001 and has expanded to include her off-photographed bag collection as well as bracelets and wallets, and an intense schedule of merchandise deliveries that includes several retailer exclusives.

"Almost every store is asking for an exclusive, even Saks, as a way of getting people in the door," she explains. "If you're carried in all these places, the only way to do it is to cater to each store. So now I have exclusives with every store."

Her material of choice is Italian leather for its "magic," but an eye-catching blue — another signature — Ethiopian tie-dyed-by-hand leather has found its way into her summer 2010 collection. So has microfibre, in response to customer requests for something at a

lower price point. "I was able to create the look of a faux python that looks real, but it's fabric, and brought the price down almost \$150 to \$200 at retail. I think my customers really appreciated that," she says.

Inspiration comes from a variety of sources: vintage bags, flea markets, and old photos. Several in her current collection sprang from the details in motorcycle jackets, such as metal pyramid studs and bold zippers. "That led me to motorcycles and the bags that people have on motorcycles, that are attached to them," she says. "There's a whole

Buy Rebecca Minkoff bags at Holt Renfrew



Designer Rebecca Minkoff, left, with friend and actress Jenna Elfman, who was the inspiration behind Minkoff's popular Morning After Bag (above, left).



Linear Stud Rocker in ivory and black, \$350 each



Left: Mini Rikki in turquoise, \$585

Style in brief

AWARDS The fashion world announced one more tribute to the late British designer Alexander McQueen. McQueen, who died in an apparent suicide in London last month, will receive the Council of Fashion Designers of America's special board of directors honour at the industry's annual celebrity-

studded gala this summer. Donna Karan, Marc Jacobs and last year's pick for up-and-coming talent, Alexander Wang, will compete in the womenswear category, considered the big competitive prize of the night. The gala will be held in New York on June 7.

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FASHION SHOW Canadian designer Nada Shepherd has decided to forgo the runway in favour of the big screen by bringing her latest creations to life in reel form. The creative director of Nada has opted out of showcasing her new designs at the upcoming edition of Toronto's LG Fashion Week to be a part of what's

been billed as a Canadian fashion first: a short 3-D film featuring her fall 2010 collection. Shepherd said the idea to do a film seemed like a natural evolution since she first decided to start incorporating videos into her runway shows. The seven-minute film takes on the feel of an interactive video game.

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Making waves

Nautical blue and white mariner stripes are spotted on land and around the world

Sailor stripes, as Gallic as the baguette or beret, are having a worldwide trendy moment from Toulouse to Tokyo to Toronto.

You can't walk through a mall without your vision going bleary from the graphic sharp lines in the many fast-fashion stores. Yes, the nautical look is once again creating waves in fashion. The popular blue and white mariner stripes are leaving the high seas for the shore.

Despite the record-breaking frigid temperatures in Paris earlier this month, the fashion flock at the fall Ready-to-Wear 2010 shows looked like they were ready to cast anchors awash in their striped T-shirts worn under black blazers.

It was Coco Chanel who, upon seeing sailors in their hefty, scratchy wool nauti-

cal striped sweaters, first adapted the look for her wealthy clients in the 1930s.

A more contemporary French designer, Jean Paul Gaultier, has adapted these mariner stripes — also known as Breton stripes because of the look's association with the Brittany coast — as one of his signatures over the years.

Perhaps it was last year's French movie, *Coco Avant Chanel*, featuring Audrey Tatou as the famous designer, that helped paved the path for this season's straight lines in fashion.

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Iconic designer Coco Chanel, portrayed here by Audrey Tatou in the film *Coco Avant Chanel*, was inspired by sailors to create nautical-like fashion pieces in the 1930s.



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New Moon a big loser

Summit Entertainment's strategy to release its much-anticipated New Moon DVD on a Friday night — just as the studio did for the release of Twilight's DVD — is paying off handsomely. The studio reports that the DVD of The Twilight Saga: New Moon sold four million units over the weekend. **EW.COM**

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Entertainment

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A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

Moving on

Katherine Heigl has left Grey's Anatomy. "I am done," the actress tells Entertainment Weekly. "Everyone had been working really hard to find an amicable and gracious way of letting go and moving on." **PEOPLE.COM**



Breakthrough for the Biebs

AlbumReviews

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Justin Bieber

Album: My World 2.0

Label: Universal

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

IF YOU HAVEN'T felt it already, get ready for a total Justin Bieber onslaught. The Stratford, Ont., native's new disc is the perfect mainstream radio listen — a mix of R&B and pop, with lyrics about teenage love. It's not bad, in that it does what it's supposed to — rope in teenage girls with infectious, but not at all challenging, sounds. The worst parts about this aren't Bieber, it's Ludacris sounding old with a terrible rap on Baby and Sean Kingston's awkward reggae-tinged additions to Ee-nie Meenie. Bieber's at his best when he sticks to what he knows — singing straight-up teeny pop.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Goldfrapp

Album: Head First

Label: Mute

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

AFTER GOING

FOLK for 2008's pastoral Seventh Tree, Alison Goldfrapp and Will Gregory have relocated their synths and gone back to their electronic pop roots. But Head First isn't just a return — the duo sounds hungry for the commercial success that abandoned them on their last album. The songs smack of Kylie Minogue were she produced by ELO's Jeff Lynne, leaving Goldfrapp with one platform heel in the '70s and one jelly in the '80s. The simplicity of the songs though disappoints and ultimately undermines their reputation as shrewd songwriters, leaving Head First as a vain attempt to reclaim their place atop the charts.

Cam Lindsay/for Metro Canada

Barenaked Ladies

Album: All in Good Time

Label: Records/EMI

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

ANYBODY

WHO ACTUALLY thought the Barenaked Ladies would be as good a band without Steven Page was simply dreaming. Page was half the sound, half the spirit, half of everything Barenaked. This is not to say the current four-piece is only half the band that we grew to know and love. The one thing nice about Page's departure is that it has pushed the songwriting talents of Jimmy Creegan (I Saw It) and Kevin Hearn (Another Heart-



Justin Bieber received help from Ludacris and Sean Kingston on My World 2.0, but is at his best when he sticks to straight-up teeny pop.

break) more to the front. Still they are no match for Page's soaring vocals. In reality, this is now Ed Robert-

son's band. His opening single You Run Away, written directly at his old friend Page, is the album's

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

Rufus Wainwright

Album: All Days Are Nights:

Songs for Lulu

Label: Universal

Rating: ⓈⓈⓈ

RUFUS WAIN-

RIGHT HAS always mined his personal life for material, so it's natural that he'd deal with his famous mother's cancer and recent death on his latest record. He doesn't cloud his terrible or-



deal in his familiar over-the-top pop — instead he delivers 12 gut-wrenching tunes with only a piano and his voice. The final track, Zebulon, is the most explicit song about the turmoil in his life, "my mom's in the hospital, my sister's at the opera, I'm in love, but let's not talk about it," he sings. The record is uncomfortable, haunting, magical and brilliant.

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30 Rock

Liz's (Tina Fey) ex-boyfriend Floyd (Jason Sudeikis) returns with big news. After the show's writers play a joke on him, Darny (Cheyenne Jackson) gets a master class in pulling pranks from Jack (Alec Baldwin). Jenna and Tracy (Jane Krakowski, Tracy Morgan) spend a long day listening to Kenneth (Jack McBrayer) tell stories about his childhood. Scott Adisi also stars in the new episode "Floyd." 10:30 PM on CKAL, KHQ



Private Practice

A surrogate mother's husband wants to take her off life support, but a judge overrules him, forcing the doctors to keep her alive until the fetuses are able to survive. Naomi (Audra McDonald) feels betrayed by Sam and Addison's (Taye Diggs, Kate Walsh) feelings for each other and seeks support from Dr. Fife (Michael Patrick Thornton) while William (Chris Lowell) is away. Tim Daly also stars in the new episode "Pulling the Plug." 11:01 PM on KXLY

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Scream 4 is a go. Dimension Films announced the fourth iteration will start production this spring. Kevin Wes Craven is directing, and Neve Campbell, David Arquette and Courteney Cox have all signed on to reprise their roles. **EW.COM**

Hot Tub a pool of tacky delights

Corddry wades into world of legwarmers and Baby Soft

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Whether he's bickering with Jon Stewart on The Daily Show or dropping delightful racist one-liners in Harold And Kumar Escape from Guantanamo Bay, Rob Corddry has become a comedy staple in recent years.

The man with the comically enhanced hairline returns this week with Hot Tub Time Machine, a lovingly stupid comedy about a group of friends who travel back to the '80s in (wait for it) a hot tub. Not exactly the most conventional concept for a major studio release, but one that tickled the comedian when he first read the script.

"I was kind of hooked from title page," Corddry tells Metro. "It said, Hot Tub Time Machine: Based On The Incredible True Story. Definitely my sensibility."

The film gave Corddry

the opportunity to take a trip back to the time of legwarmers and a child-friendly Michael Jackson.

The '80s are recreated in all their tacky glory, which was a sight the actor thought he'd never see again.

"It was pretty surreal," recalled Corddry. "There were times looking out over a sea of extras dressed in fluorescent clothing where I could almost smell the Love's Baby Soft, a perfume from the '80s that smelled like baby powder and defined my junior high experience. There was a definite sense memory recall going on."

Of course, Hot Tub Time Machine doesn't just capture the sights and smells of the '80s, but also the tone of the raunchy R-rated



From left, Craig Robinson, Rob Corddry, John Cusack and Clark Duke find themselves back in the '80s in the comedy Hot Tub Time Machine.

Hot Tub Time Machine opens tomorrow

ed comedies that defined the era. It was a style that Corddry admits was a major influence on the project from the beginning.

"That was definitely always there. Probably even more so before we actually added a story to it," quipped the actor. "The

first version of the script was kind of a free-for-all before Cusack and [director] Steve Pink came in and tamed it."

The film marks the third comedic collaboration for Pink and Cusack who previously co-wrote the screenplays for Grosse Pointe Blank and High Fidelity. Corddry is quick to ac-

knowledge that their laid back working relationship allowed for a lot of freedom on set.

"The script was always in flux. Like the constitution, it was a living document and was constantly being rewritten. They really encouraged improvisation, so it was a very collaborative atmosphere."

Movie feature

All the improv inevitably led to plenty of hilarious material hitting the cutting room floor, which is sure to be salvaged for DVD.

"There is tons of deleted material and it's all good stuff," promised Corddry. "Usually they delete scenes that should be deleted, but in our case it was really important to Steve to get this movie down to '90s minutes. I'm a little sick of these two hour long comedies. So our movie is just in-and-out in more ways than one."

The film is certainly a fast, entertaining, and relentlessly funny experience. Audiences should be pleased with all the dirty jokes and R-rated shenanigans, but don't expect to see any extended cuts on DVD.

Rob Corddry assured us that nothing was too filthy to be included: "I'm sure they'll try to market the DVD as unrated, but I can't imagine making this movie any more unrated than it already is."

With a little Help from best friends forever

PRODUCTION Kathryn Stockett and Tate Taylor have been best friends all their lives. Now they're collaborating on a major motion picture.

DreamWorks Studios recently slated Stockett's firecracker of a first novel, The Help, for production. Taylor will be at the helm of his first major studio film.

Watch out Hollywood. "Tate is trouble and put it in capital letters," Stockett said. "He is so much fun. We had a ball growing up. We got in so much trouble all the time. I was always getting grounded when

Tate was there."

The Help was a publishing success story of 2009 and remains on bestseller lists well into 2010. It's spending its 50th week on the New York Times list of best-sellers at No. 2 and has been No. 1. More than 1.9 million copies have been printed.

The book tells the story of a group of black domestic maids in 1960s Jackson, Miss., who band together to tell the sometimes sad, sometimes triumphant stories of lives spent toiling for upper class Southern whites. The Help is both uproariously funny and

"She didn't even have a publisher yet and I said, 'You've got to let me option this.'"

Filmmaker Tate Taylor on author and friend Kathryn Stockett

poignant, resonating with readers across the country.

The book seems ready-made for a film and Taylor saw the possibilities early on when Stockett showed him her manuscript. The

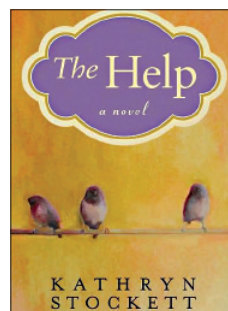
creator of a well-received short film, Chicken Party, and 2009's Pretty Ugly People, he was looking for a larger vehicle to develop, and his best friend had just the material for him.

"She didn't even have a publisher yet and I said, 'You've got to let me option this,'" Taylor said in an interview from New York, where he was having casting interviews. "And she said, 'I'm going to hold you to this. It's going to be so much fun.' And then, of course, she got her agent and I was the last person in the world they wanted."

Taylor had a few things going for him, though, including his relationship with producer and filmmaker Chris Columbus, who greatly admired Chicken Party. Columbus, it turns out, is tight with Steven Spielberg, a co-founder of DreamWorks.

Columbus wanted to work with Taylor, but Taylor didn't immediately have a project, he said. Then, The Help came along.

"Nothing would ever stick and finally I told him about, The Help," said Taylor, who began working on



Kathryn Stockett's bestselling book The Help is being made into a film.

the script two years ago. "And he read the script and he said, 'All right, this is the one.'"

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Top U.S. restaurants, chefs honoured

The James Beard Foundation on Monday named nominees for its coveted food, beverage and restaurant prizes. Five contenders were named for the top chef prize, including Jose Andres of Minibar in Washington, D.C. and Tom Colicchio of Craft in New York City. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Dinner for two with drinks: \$130

Signature Dish: Filet
Signature Drink: Orange citrus mojito

Ruth's Chris lives up to its billing as a bona fide steakhouse, but what's surprising is how well it does non-steak dishes.

Corn-fed, U.S. prime beef is the cornerstone of this

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New Orleans-originated chain. The two Ruth's Chris in this province are the only franchises to also offer AAA Alberta beef.

Ruth's Chris sears then broils its steaks in a trademark 982.2 degree Celsius oven, seasoned with only salt and pepper. Cooking time needs to be perfect as steaks are served on plates heated to 260 degrees Celsius.

Topped with butter,

Ruth's Chris's steaks truly sizzle upon arrival. The 12-ounce USDA ribeye (\$40) is deliciously juicy and marbled, slightly sweeter than the grain-fed Alberta beef we're used to.

The huge, side dishes are priced separately. Mashed potatoes (\$8) and creamed spinach (\$8) are heavenly, helped along by massive amounts of cream and butter.

A special starter of fresh greens with seared scallop is surprisingly well-executed with white balsamic vinaigrette and red pepper pesto.

Like everything else, desserts are not light.



12-ounce USDA ribeye (\$40) from Ruth's Chris.

Bread pudding with whiskey sauce (\$12) is divine but big enough to be

shared among three.

Service is impeccable, including some of the most

efficient and courteous bussers in the city and a smartly managed wine list.

Global Peasant blog online

- Travel along with Diane Thompson's culinary adventures in her Global Peasant blog.
- Check out metronews.ca/globalpeasant for a recipe of Salted Chocolate Mint Sablee Cookies

**Dining out**

FAMILY STYLE Capo (1420 Ninth Ave.) has a new special Tuesday to Thursday in March and April by reservation only. Two people can enjoy Chef Giuseppe Di Gennaro's elegant Italian dishes in a three-course family-style dinner

for \$90.

FEAST ON CRAB Roll up your sleeves for all-you-can eat crab for \$38 at Bookers Crab Shack (316 Third St. SE) on Sundays and Mondays.

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In brief

BREAD BREAK Aviv Fried, who delivers his organic homemade bread around downtown Calgary on his bike for charity, is taking some time off. He'll be working at a bakery in a Nepal monastery, but plans to return a better baker.

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Matt Damon thrilled restaurant staff by leaving a \$400 tip. The actor splashed out on a specially-prepared dinner for himself, wife Luciana and a group of friends at New York nightclub Stanton Social on Saturday, femalefirst.co.uk reports **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

He's donating money to the starving actor fund

Celebrity Buzz

Ex-wife: James a 'serial cheater'

JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT HE COULDN'T GET ANY SKETCHIER

TMZ is reporting a former high level, female executive with West Coast Choppers settled a sexual harassment lawsuit against Jesse James and West Coast Choppers for more than \$700,000 US in 2007, while he was married to Sandra Bullock, according to documents.

Also, James has been branded a "chronic cheater" by his ex-wife, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Janine Lindemulder — who separated from the motorcycle enthusiast after one year of marriage in May 2003 — insists she wasn't surprised to learn the Monster Garage presenter had bedded tattoo model Michelle "Bombshell" McGee while current spouse Bullock was away shooting *The Blind Side*.

Lindemulder — who has five-year-

old daughter Sunny with James — said: "He's a chronic cheater. I feel sorry for Sandra because she was so in love with Jesse that

she was blind and gullible. "She once said, 'I finally have a man who has my back.' And all I could think was, 'No. You have this man who does it behind your back.'"

Lindemulder claims that James was unfaithful to her soon after they tied the knot and he refused to change his behaviour throughout their union.

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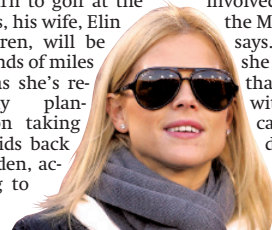


Elin to be a no-show at Masters tourney

JESSE JAMES: THIS IS YOUR FUTURE When Tiger Woods makes his much-anticipated return to golf at the Masters, his wife, Elin Nordegren, will be thousands of miles away, as she's reportedly planning on taking their kids back to Sweden, according to *People* magazine.

"Elin wants to stay away from Augusta and not get involved in the frenzy of the Masters," a source says. "By not going, she sends a signal that she is staying with Tiger only because of the children. They come first."

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Rihanna gets a special drum class

TURN THE BEAT AROUND Looks like Rihanna is expanding her music knowledge — with a little help from Blink 182's Travis Barker, popeater.com reports.

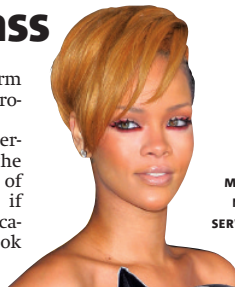
"Teaching Rihanna some things on drums. She JAMS!!!! Watch out for

her!!" Barker posted on Twitter Tuesday, along with a photo of the pair at a rehearsal space in L.A. Although Rihanna is seen jamming behind a drum kit in the video for her latest single, *Rude Boy*, rumour has it she wants a pro to teach her how to

play so she can perform live on her upcoming European tour.

No word on which percussive instrument the lovely singer is thinking of debuting on stage, but if her videos are any indication, she's going to look great doing it.

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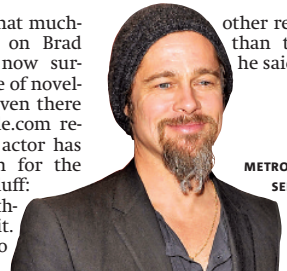


The truth behind Pitt's beard

BILLY GOAT BRAD That much-discussed beard on Brad Pitt's chin has now surpassed the excuse of novelty. And it's not even there for a role, people.com reports. Now the actor has given his reason for the straggly facial fluff: He can't be bothered to change it. "It's boredom. No

other reason than that," he said.

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Heroes star brags about boxer beau

HE WILL BREAK YOU Hayden Panettiere admits dating boxer Wladimir Klitschko has been a new experience for her.

"I've never had an athlete as a boyfriend before, and it's an exciting experience," she says, according to *Hollyscoop*.

"I think it's awesome

that he's so athletic, but I'm most fascinated with his intelligence. He's unbelievably clever."

The *Heroes* star also admits there are added benefits to dating a boxer. "Even though I'm

small, I can dish it out too. But I have to admit, I feel really protected with such a strong man by my side," she says.

"Now, whenever someone's bugging me, I say: 'Look out, my boyfriend is a boxer!'"

It's good to know the cheerleader may get saved after all. Now let's see if her boyfriend can save her show's flagging ratings too.

METRO WORLD NEWS



Lindsay rumoured to design for Ed Hardy

THEY'RE TRYING TO CLASS UP THEIR IMAGE. CLEARLY

After being dropped as artistic director for Emanuel Ungaro earlier this month, Lindsay Lohan has reportedly found a new designer to work with.

Sources say the actress is in talks with the folks at

Ed Hardy to design a line of handbags, according to *E! News*. Lohan has denied the collaboration is taking place.

"Lindsay and the design team at Ed Hardy have mutual friends, and they knew she was interested in looking for a handbag license and partner," a

source says. "They thought she'd be a

good fit and so did she."

Lohan, however, denies it, posting on Twitter, "I am not designing for Ed Hardy."

However, this wouldn't be the first time Lohan has publicly denied something that later turned out to be true.

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Splitsville for Kardashian, Bush?

SHE SAID HE'D NEVER LOVE HER LIKE US WEEKLY DOES

The blogs are abuzz this week that on-again couple Kim Kardashian and Reggie Bush are on the rocks, us-magazine.com reports.

The truth? The two "aren't sure where their relationship will go," a source close to the couple tells the website. Bush, a 24-year-old running back for the New Orleans Saints, and Kardashian, 29, have been dating since 2007.

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CelebTweets

KESHA doesn't want a feud with Justin, **MICHAEL IAN BLACK** is sprucing up his speech, and **CONAN O'BRIEN** goes after an older woman.

@keshasuxx dear justin b i am so sorry if my bad joke has hurt your feelings. u r obviously so talented and i would never mean to offend u. i think u r rad

@michaelianblack Need to start incorporating, "Oh, Hell no" more into my daily speech.

@ConanOBrien I'm worried health care has pushed my Tour out of the headlines. I'm also worried my anti-delusion pills are wearing off. Need more pills.

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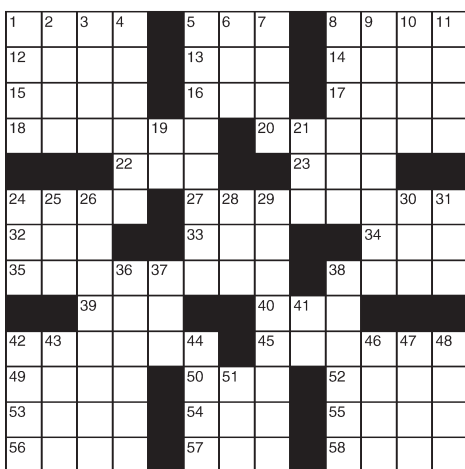


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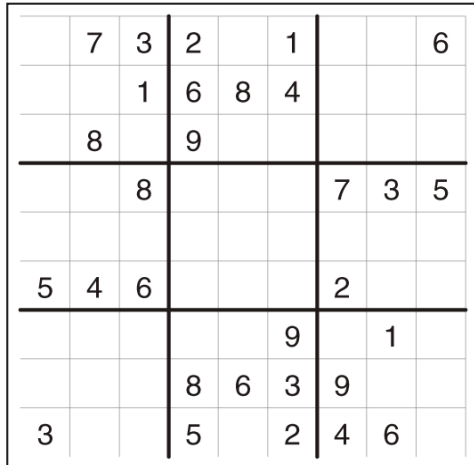
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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.



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1 Ladder component
5 Author Weldon
8 Nowhere near
12 Between ports
13 Cry of revelation
14 Relocate
15 Lima's land
16 Shaft of light
17 Raised
18 Soothing lozenge
20 Lustful leers
22 Coop denizen
23 Conger, e.g.
24 News
27 Collection plate
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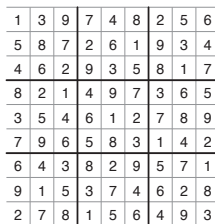
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1 Engrossed
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3 Infamous fiddler
4 Cowboy of the pampas
5 Morning
6 Cry of discovery
7 Toy on a string
8 Spy novel author Eric
9 Wing, for example
10 State with cer-

tainty
11 Great American Ball Park team
19 That guy
21 "Golly!"
24 With 25-Down, "— Unusual"
25 See 24-Down
26 Prediction
28 Enemy
29 Tennis stroke
30 Pen point
31 Festive
36 Hebrew letters
37 Mischievous tyke
38 Not this way
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42 Pinnacle
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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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Metro Recipe of the Day



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Nutty Maple Spinach Salad

Submitted by
Thelma Ball, Dundas, Ont.

INGREDIENTS:

Dressing:
1/4 cup low-fat mayonnaise
1/4 cup maple syrup
3 tbsp white wine vinegar
2 tsp sugar
1/3 cup vegetable oil

Glazed Nuts:

2 tsp sugar
3 tbsp maple syrup
6 tbsp water
3/4 cup whole walnuts or pecans

Salad

1/4 cup soft goat cheese
1 small bag of baby spinach
1 small red onion
12 thin slices of pickled beet

METHOD:

1. Whisk together mayonnaise, 1/4 cup maple syrup, white wine vinegar, sugar

and vegetable oil in a small bowl for 2 minutes. Refrigerate.

2. Mix the sugar, 3 tablespoons maple syrup and water in a small pan. Stirring constantly, bring to a slow boil over low heat. Reduce heat and add nuts. Stir to coat. Remove with a slotted spoon and set aside to cool.
3. Wash spinach and dry well. Divide between 4 to 5 salad plates. Top with 3 slices of beet and thin slices of red onion. Crumble soft goat cheese on each salad and top with a generous amount of glazed nuts. Drizzle with dressing.

SERVES 4 TO 5

PREP TIME: 10 MINUTES



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ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20



You will have plenty to say for yourself today and others would be wise to take note. However, don't repeat yourself on and off for the rest of the day.

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23



Good times are coming — you just know it — but you would be wise not to take too much for granted.

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21



Stand back from what you are doing and try to see it from a wider perspective. You are about to embark on an exceptionally busy phase.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22



You seem strangely subdued at the moment and, if you can, you will quite happily spend some time on your own.

GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21



You may be eager to get started on something you have been planning for months, but a few more days won't make much difference.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21



Are you trying too hard? Are you forcing yourself to do things that do not come naturally? Maybe that's the reason for your negative outlook.

CANCER JUNE 22-JULY 22



The more you try to resolve a family crisis of some kind the more the solution evades you — a most frustrating state of affairs.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20



The planets warn if you play safe and take no risks at all you could miss out on an opportunity to move up in the world.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23



Travel and social plans may have to be postponed today but you won't be too disappointed.

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18



If your current way of doing things is getting results then don't change it even a fraction.

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22



Don't give away information about your financial situation, certainly not to strangers and not even to friends.

PISCES FEB 19-MARCH 20



Certain duties or commitments have to be dealt with and there is no way you will be able to wriggle out of them.

This day in history

1306: Robert the Bruce becomes King of Scotland.
1807: The Slave Trade Act becomes law, abolishing the slave trade in the British Empire.
1918: The Belarusian People's Republic is established.
1957: United States Customs seizes copies of Allen Ginsberg's poem Howl as obscene.
1958: Canada's Avro Arrow makes its first flight.
1979: The first fully functional space shuttle orbiter, Columbia, is delivered to the John F. Kennedy Space Center to be prepared for its first launch.

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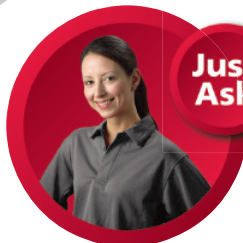
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